

REMARKS

The final Office Action dated November 9, 2006, has been reviewed carefully and the application has been amended. It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 3-12, 14-18 and 20-29 are pending in the application. Claims 1 and 13 were cancelled herein without prejudice, and claims 2 and 19 had been cancelled in earlier prosecution.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of Claims 14, 15, 20, 21 and 23-26 in the earlier Office Action.

Claim 4 has been rewritten in independent form to include the elements of the base claim and any intervening claims, and it is respectfully submitted that claim 4 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 3-12 and 27 were amended herein to depend directly or indirectly upon claim 4. It is thus respectfully submitted that those dependent claims are now in condition for allowance.

Claims 16-18, through amendment, now directly or indirectly depend upon allowed claim 14, and are thus also in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 was amended herein to recite a fuel supply cartridge having means for removably attaching said cartridge to said fuel cell. It is respectfully submitted that this removably attached cartridge is not shown in Kanehara et al. Support for this amendment is provided in the Specification at Page 25, lines 21-24. New claim 29 contains a similar recital.

New claim 28 contains a recital of a carbonaceous fuel substance, said carbonaceous fuel substance *consisting of* neat methanol. It is respectfully submitted that this is not taught by Wesley et al.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned in order to advance the prosecution of this application in any respect.

Please charge any additional fee occasioned by this paper to our Deposit Account No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,

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